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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Assistant Commissioner of Patents  
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Sir:

This paper is being filed in response to the Office Action dated October 17, 2002. Entry of the amendment and consideration of the remarks herein are respectfully requested.

In the claims:

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Please cancel claim 8 without prejudice.

Claims 21-41 are pending:

21. A monoclonal antibody which (a) binds to Apo-2 polypeptide consisting of the contiguous amino acid residues 1 to 411 of SEQ ID NO:1 and (b) stimulates apoptosis in at least one type of mammalian cell *in vivo* or *ex vivo*.

22. A monoclonal antibody which (a) binds to a soluble extracellular domain sequence of an Apo-2 polypeptide which consists of amino acids 54 to 182 of SEQ ID NO:1 and (b) stimulates apoptosis in at least one type of mammalian cell *in vivo* or *ex vivo*.